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DEFINITE POLICY TOWARD ARMENIA HOPED FOR SOON

Both President Wilson and Congress De- ferring Action on America's Part in Pro- tecting Peoples—Massacres Continue.

By OLIVER OWEN KUHLY.

Crystallization of an American policy in regard to Armenia and early action looking to a mandatory for the stricken region and suffering people is earnestly hoped for in certain diplomatic circles in Washington. This government is expected to act before it is too late to save the remaining Armenian people from death at the hands of marauding Turks and Kurds. But notwithstanding diplomatic ex- pectations there is little indication that immediate action may be ex- pected.

As yet President Wilson has not made definite recommendation to Con- gress that such steps be taken, and Congress as a consequence has done nothing looking toward America shouldering this great responsibility in the near east.

"America Fiddling" Is Claim. "Politically, American officials are fiddling while Armenia is being mas- sacred," is a phrase heard as a re- sult of the attitude of the executive and congressional branches of the government.

It is known that President Wilson is sentimentally inclined toward partici- pation in Armenian affairs, though Army experts, who have studied the whole question, insist that it would take a force of 150,000 soldiers to police and rehabilitate Armenia, not to speak of protecting these peoples against the Turks. Those arguing insistently for American participation in Armenia declare a lesser number of men would be required.

But as a result of the political situa- tion and the waves of antagonism that have met Mr. Wilson's every proposal looking toward American participation in affairs abroad, it is not to be expected, say well informed quarters, that he will immediately subject himself to another hail of political brickbats.

In administration circles the remark, "Let Congress initiate Armenian relief measures," is heard frequently. Con- gress, on the other hand, is extremely loath to undertake responsibilities the result of which are in extreme doubt, and there is strong antagonism against becoming further embroiled in European and Asiatic affairs through the medium of active participation of American forces in any mandatory.

Also Might Mean War. Until the allied peace pact with Turkey is signed, it also is pointed out, the sending of American troops to Armenia will in the immediate future be tantamount to a declaration of war upon Turkey, and it is argued this is wholly in- consistent with the present spirit of world adjustment. Were the treaty with Turkey signed and it specifically set aside an American mandatory the course of this government would be smoother. As the situation stands at the moment it is extremely probable no moves will be decided upon until Presi- dent Wilson's advisers on near eastern affairs have reported to him and these reports are made available to Congress. Then one or the other may act.

It is also apparent that the question, "Would the American people consent to the use of American troops and Ameri- can gold for the protection and uplift of Armenia?" enters largely into the con- sideration of the mandatory idea in both congressional and executive circles. Inasmuch as foreign governments still cling to the idea that the United States is sure to take some action

looking toward the ending of Ar- menia's woes, they are doing little, if anything, in taking a hand in the gen- eral situation.

Such British troops as are on guard in Armenia admittedly are insufficient to protect the people, and these even will be withdrawn by the British at the earliest possible moment. The British merely are awaiting action by the American government, and it is very probable that if this government does not voluntarily act the European governments will enter agreements among themselves to protect allied interests in the Caucasus and near east before the league of nations comes into being.

Cannot Act Pending Peace. It is the general assertion in offi- cial quarters that this government

cannot act as long as the main peace treaty is pending. With ratification, however, President Wilson might make definite recommendations in re- gard to Armenia.

That the Turks in nowise have cur- tailed their barbaric practices in Ar- menia and that the peoples are being subjected to great inhumanities are further borne out by the Armenian telegraph agency, which has sent out a dispatch from Erivan, stating: "Details have been received con- cerning the massacre of the Armeni- an at Karabagh. The vice president of the council of the Armenian repub- lic, Mr. Khadissian, has presented a vigorous protest to the British mis- sion and to Gen. Kerry, and left to- day for Tiflis for the purpose of bringing the matter in person to the direct attention of the British com- mand. At the capital all classes of the population are in extreme an- xiety."

Details have been given to the Ar- menian National Union of America by the Armenian journals of the Cau- casus and Constantinople. Hundreds of Armenian women and children are being ignominiously massacred, ac- cording to reports.

Began Attack in Morning.

According to a national union an- nouncement it was on the 4th of June at 3 o'clock in the morning that the armed forces of the Tartar govern- ment of Azerbaijan, directed by Dr. Soultanoff, who had been imposed by

force as governor of Armenian Kara- bagh, began an attack upon the city of Chouli, the capital of Karabagh. The attack was clearly premeditated, since, two days previous, the Tar- tars had advised those of their com- patriots inhabiting the Armenian quarter of the city to retire to the Tartar quarter. Soultanoff had occu- pied, by surprise, the strong positions of the city and demanded the de- parture from the city of the members of the Armenian national council. The Armenians, by repeated efforts, succeeded finally in capturing Soultanoff's positions, but the members of the Armenian national council, to avoid new and useless hecatombs, withdrew from the city.

"During this time all those Arme- nians engaged in business in the Tartar quarter were pitilessly mas- sacred. In the days following, the move- ment spread to the country districts and the Kurds of the region entered the conflict and massacred the peace- ful population of the village of Khainali, burning, pillaging and de- stroying, and taking into captivity the women and young girls. Fifty women and young girls were dragged naked before Soultanoff, who two days later returned them upon the inter- vention of Bishop Vahan and others. The villages of Gargajan, Pahloul and Djambouhli met with the same fate. Two other villages also suffered nar- tally. On the 7th of June the Tartars attacked the village of Dachouhan, but the population, warned in ad- vance, resisted, and the Tartars were

obliged to retire, leaving fourteen dead behind them.

"The number of dead exceeds 600, many of whom are women and children. The anxiety raised by these new massacres is intense at Erivan, the capital of the Armenian republic, and in all the Armenian provinces. Meet- ings and manifestations of protest have taken place everywhere, and the protestants have marched to the residence of the British mission to demand justice. The Journal Ach- khadavor of Tiflis has learned from a reliable source that the allied forces of the Caucasus have caused the ar- rest of Dr. Soultanoff, governor-gen- eral of Karabagh.

"The cause of the conflict, which has ensanguined once more one of the most proven of the Armenian prov- inces, seems to be largely political. The Tartars have tried by every means to annex to the republic of Azerbaijan the province of Armenian Karabagh, and the Armenian national council of the region having always refused, Dr. Soultanoff resorted to the Turko-Tartar method—that of mas- sacre, rather than to submit the matter to the peace congress, as the Arme- nians demanded.

"According to the pre-war statistics of the Russian government, Armenian Karabagh (the occidental half of the administration of Cantzak) numbered a total population of 526,000 inhabi- tants, of whom 376,000 were Arme- nians, 138,000 Tartars, 9,000 Russians and Georgians, and 2,000 Turks.

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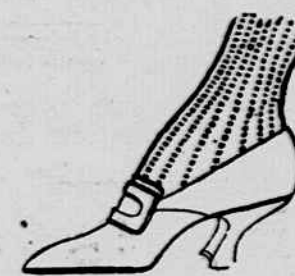
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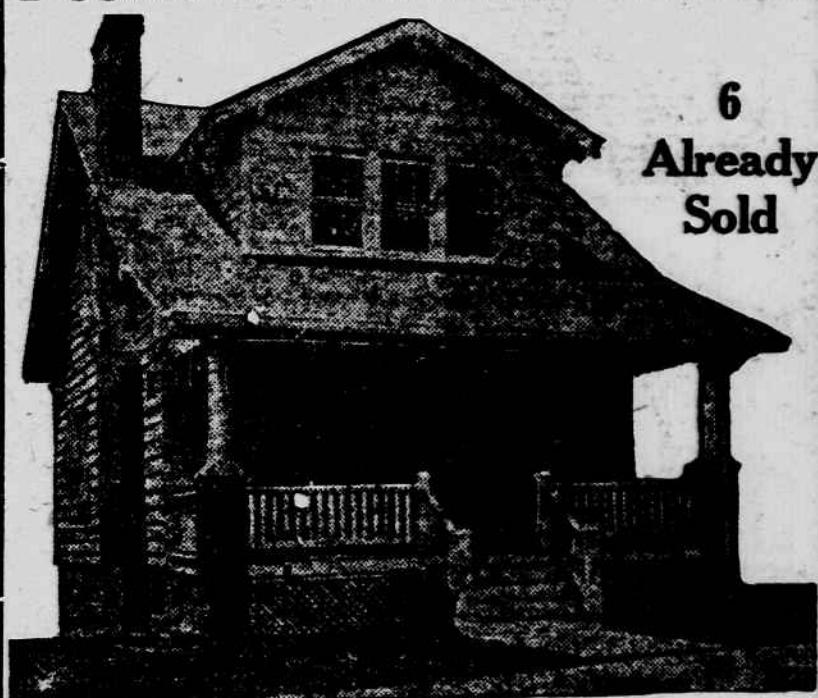
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